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NEWS RELEASE

City of Falls Church to Waive Debris Pick-Up Fees through Nov. 7

Residents asked to cut tree limbs into 5 ft segments, separate leaves from other debris

In an effort to aid residents, city crews, and contractor crews in clearing debris left behind by Hurricane Sandy, the City of Falls Church has waived fees for brush pick-up through Wednesday, Nov. 7.

In addition to leaf collection efforts already in progress, crews will be working to clear the right-of-way of tree debris and other hazards brought down by the storm. The City requests cooperation from residents in taking the following measures to prepare both leaves and debris for collection:

- Place brush at the curb; do not obstruct the sidewalks or right-of-ways. Leave the gutter pan clear of all debris.
- Do not combine leaves and limbs. Rake or bag leaves independently from branches and other large yard debris.
- Cut large tree limbs into segments no longer than 5 ft.; brush that exceeds this length requires additional manpower and resources. Smaller debris can be bundled or placed in brown, compostable yard waste bags.
- Leave only vegetative matter for pick-up; this collection is exclusively for tree limbs and brush downed by Monday's storm. Fee waivers do not apply to special trash collections.

Fees are only waived in situations where a State of Emergency has been declared and the City Manager approves fee waivers, as is the case with this storm.

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